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**SWIMMING ADVISORY FOR MASSALINA BAYOU LIFTED**  
*City of Panama City reports water is now safe*



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**Panama City, Fla. –** The Florida Department of Health in Bay County (DOH-Bay) **is lifting the swimming advisory for Massalina Bayou from E 6<sup>th</sup> Street to E 4<sup>th</sup> Street.**

The advisory was issued on December 19 following a release of **9,000 gallons of raw sewage** due to rain over flowing a man hole at **530 E 6<sup>th</sup> Street in Panama City.**

Sewage contamination of water can expose swimmers to **intestinal viruses, bacteria, and parasites.** Swimming in the water may cause **symptoms like food poisoning** with vomiting and diarrhea. **Infection is possible in open cuts and wounds** that come in contact with the water.

For more information, contact the DOH-Bay's Environmental Health section at 850-481-4806 or visit [Bay.FloridaHealth.gov](http://Bay.FloridaHealth.gov).

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